THIS MAY NOT BE MY FAULT.

BUT SOMEONE HAS TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY..

IT'S DOWN SEVENTEEN PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR.
WE EVEN NEED THESE NUMBERS GOING UP! DO YOU HAVE A PLAN?

IN MOST OFFICES,

THERE'S USUALLY THAT CERTAIN "SOMEONE"

WHO ENDS UP WITH THE LEAST

INFLUENCE OF ANYONE.

. .. ...

THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND WELFARE AND THE KOREA FAIR TRADE COMMISSION ARE SERIOUS ABOUT CRACKING DOWN ON BUSINESSES THAT USE KICKBACKS.

ALTHOUGH THIS MAY NOT BE MY FAULT..

BUT STILL,
HOW CAN YOU GET
NEGATIVE SALES FIGURES?
AFTER ALL YOUR TIME
IN THIS BUSINESS,
IS BRIBING PEOPLE
ALL YOU KNOW
HOW TO DO?

BUT PERHAPS IT'S MY OWN FAULT

I'LL WRITE UP ANOTHER SALES PLAN..

THAT I'VE ENDED UP WITH THE

LOWEST POSITION IN THE COMPANY.

FRIDAY
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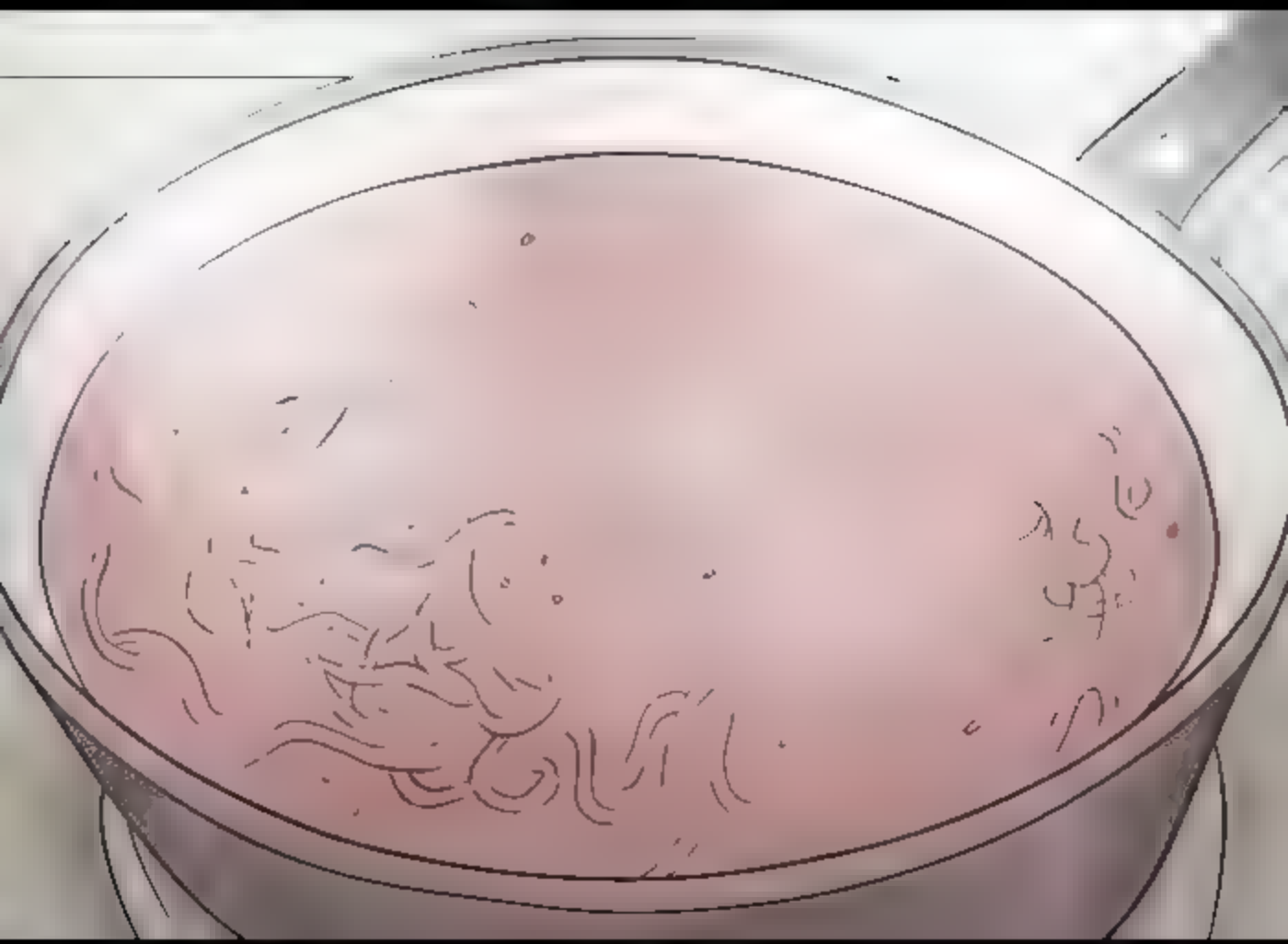
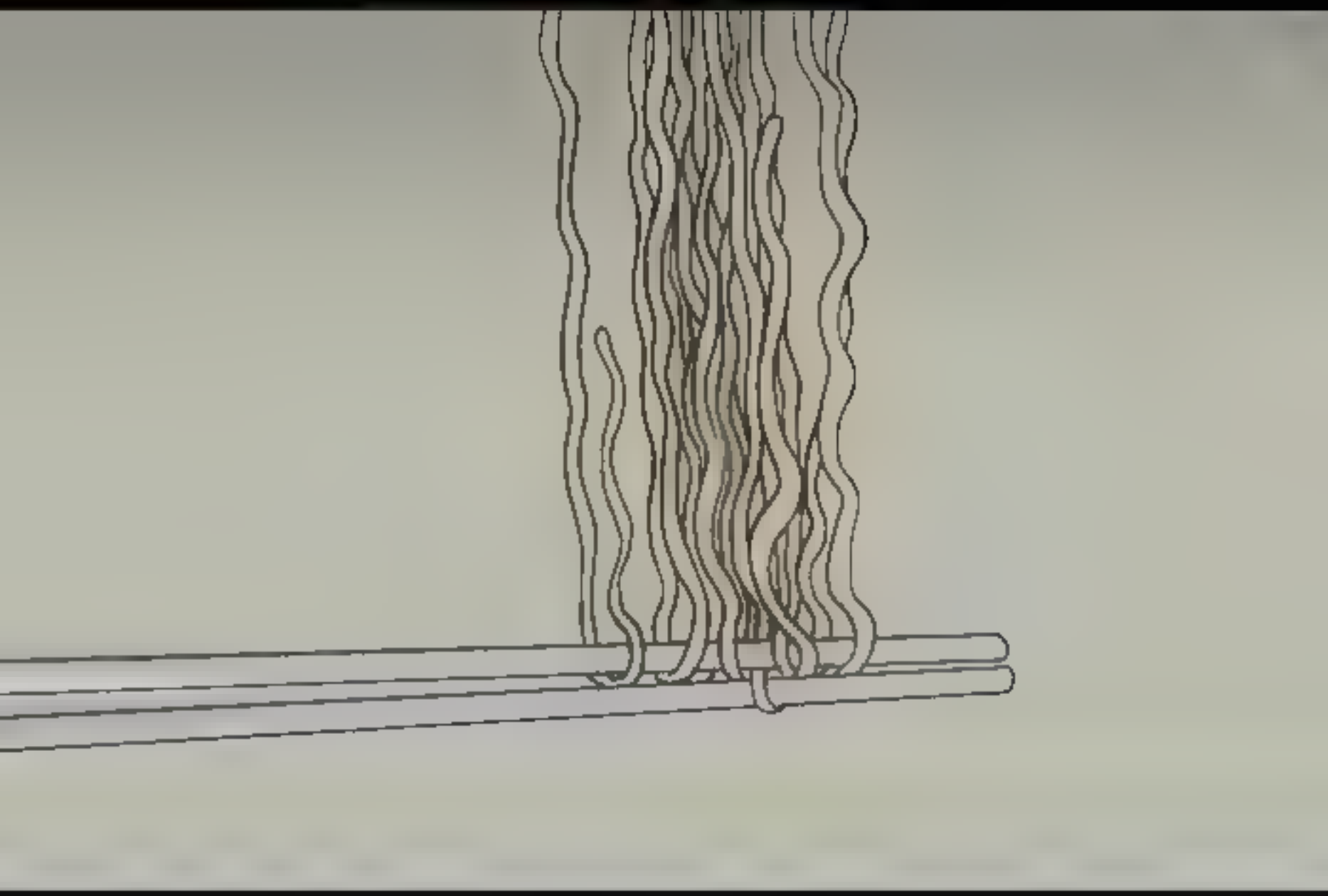
ALCOHOLIC CIRRHOSIS.

AN OCCUPATIONAL DISEASE ACQUIRED

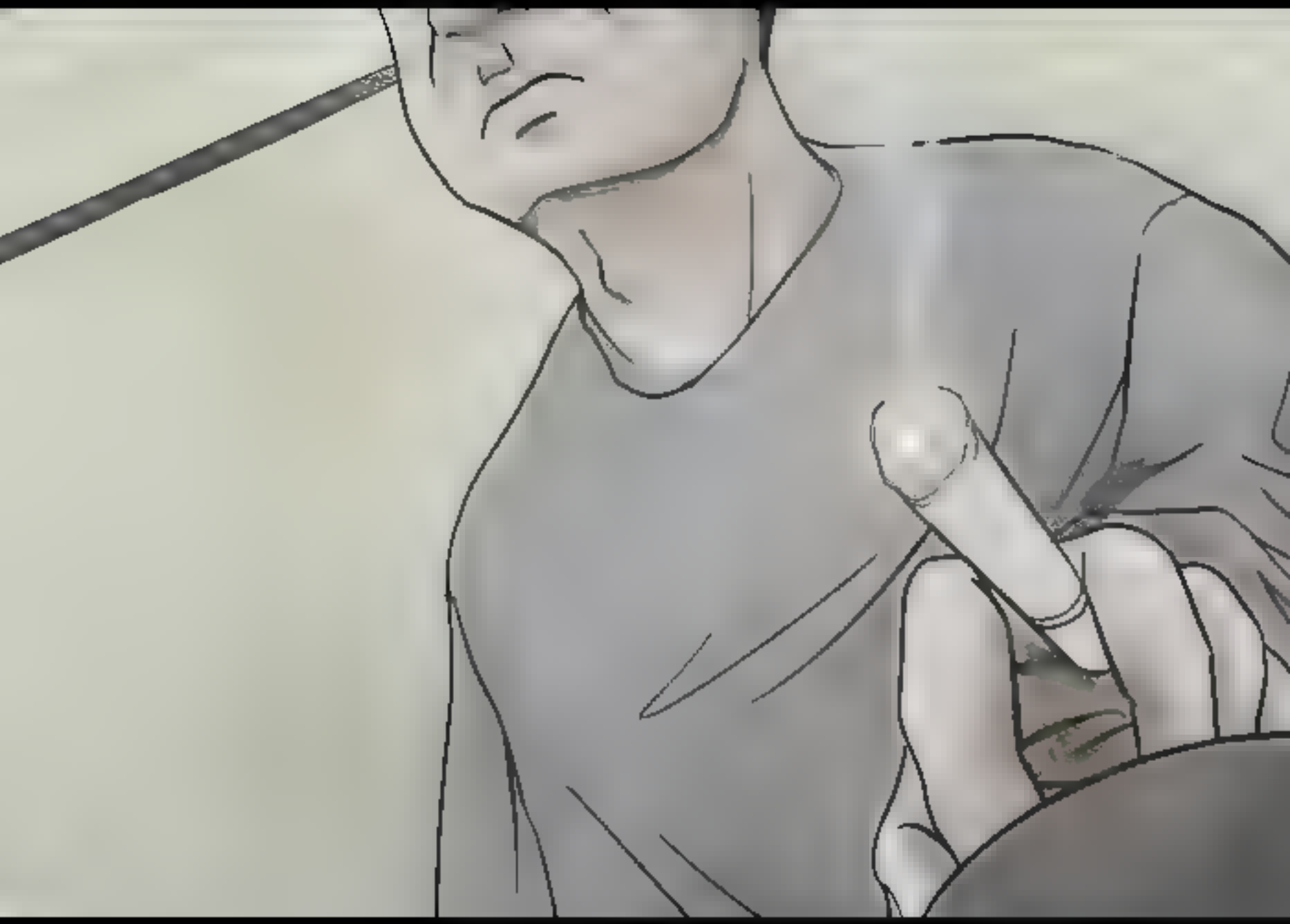
AFTER DECADES OF WORK-RELATED DRINKING.



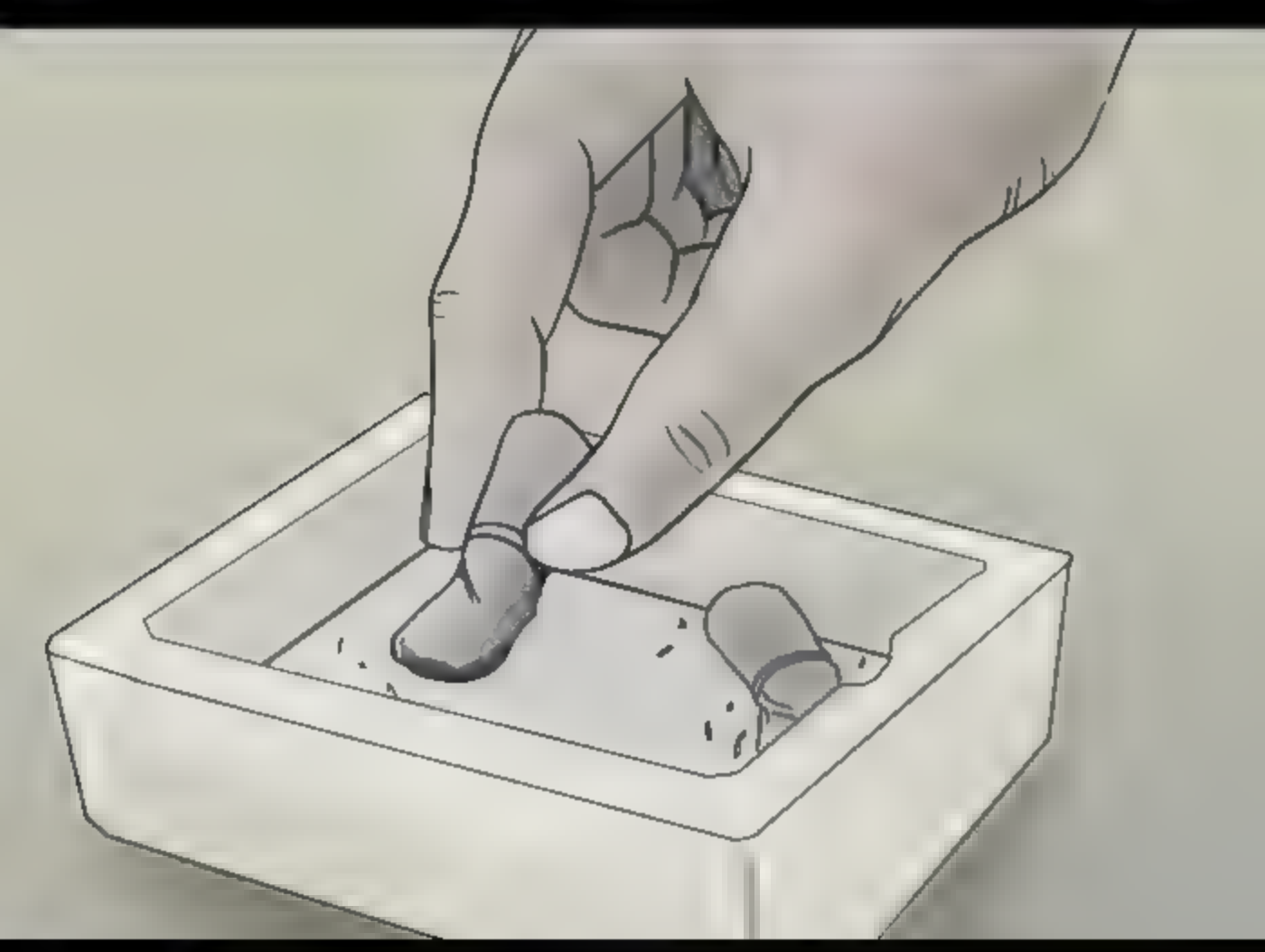


I IGNORED THE THREATS FROM
THE COMPANY AND APPLIED FOR
INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENT COMPENSATION
BUT I WASN'T APPROVED.

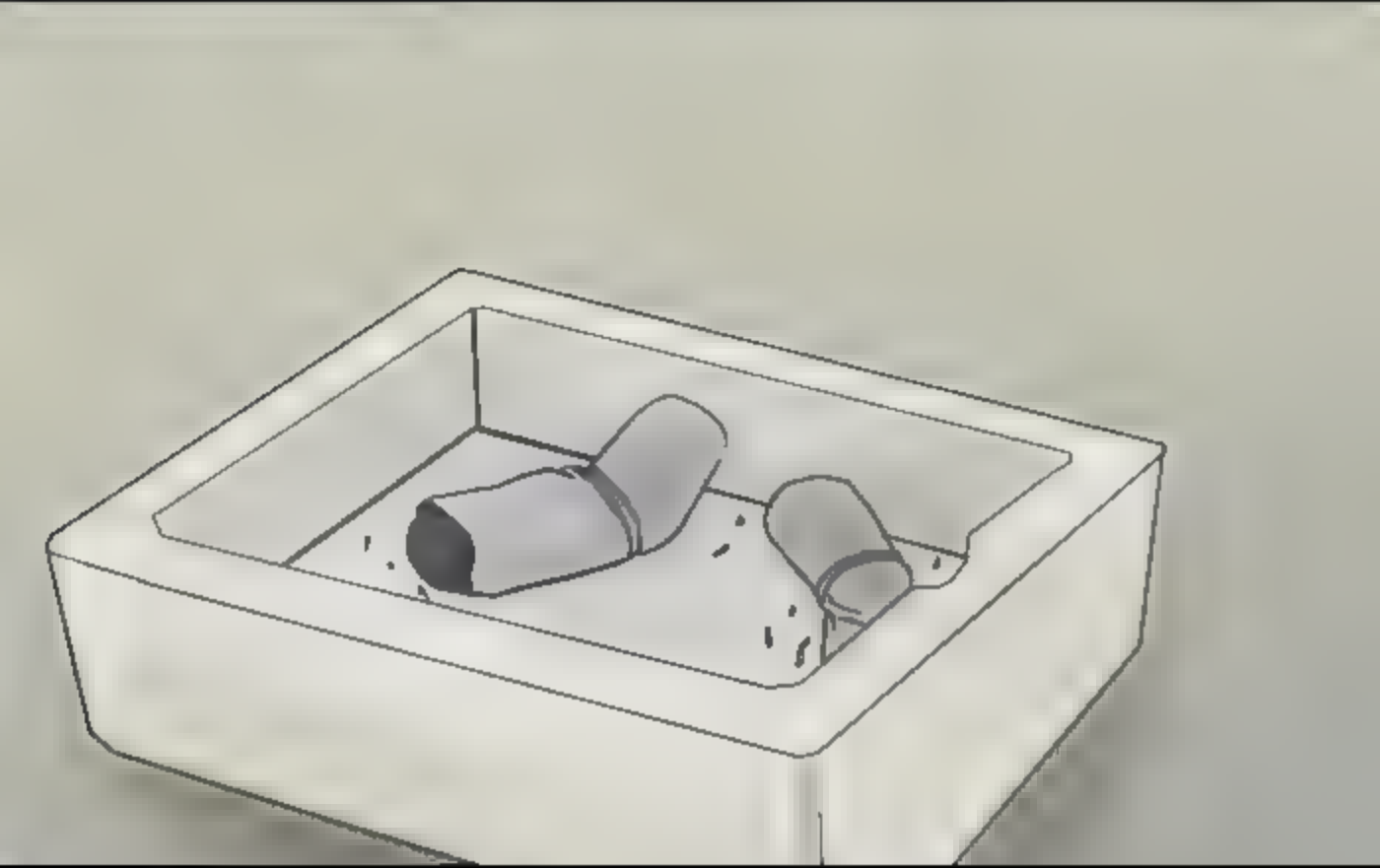
THEY TOLD ME TO BRING DOCUMENTS
PROVING THAT I HAD TO DRINK FOR WORK,
BUT NO COMPANY EVER PUBLICIZES THE MONEY
THAT THEY USE FOR ENTERTAINING CLIENTS.

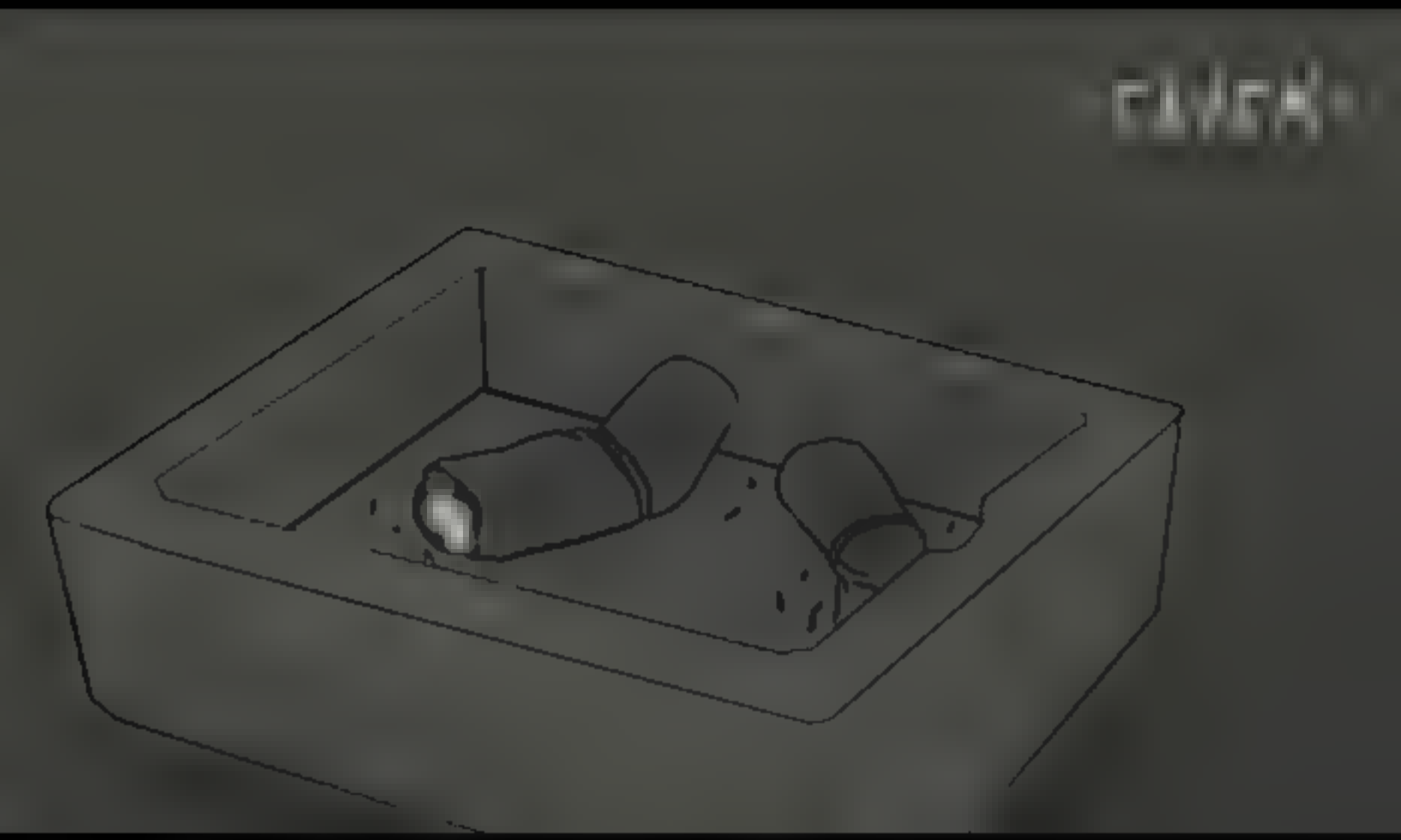


THANKS TO THAT, I LOST MY PROMOTION AND
NOW MY HOSPITAL BILLS KEEP PILING UP.
AND BECAUSE OF THAT, MY WIFE HAS LEFT ME AND
OVER HALF OF MY PAY IS TAKEN AWAY
BEFORE I EVEN GET IT.



BUT THE MOST CHILLING THING OF ALL,





IS THAT THE COMPANY
MAY NOT WANT ME AROUND,
BUT THEY REFUSE TO JUST COME OUT AND SAY
"HAND IN YOUR LETTER OF RESIGNATION.".

MR. KIM!
IS THIS SOME KIND OF JOKE?
IF THIS IS HOW YOU
INTEND ON WORKING,
THEN HAND IN YOUR
RESIGNATION!

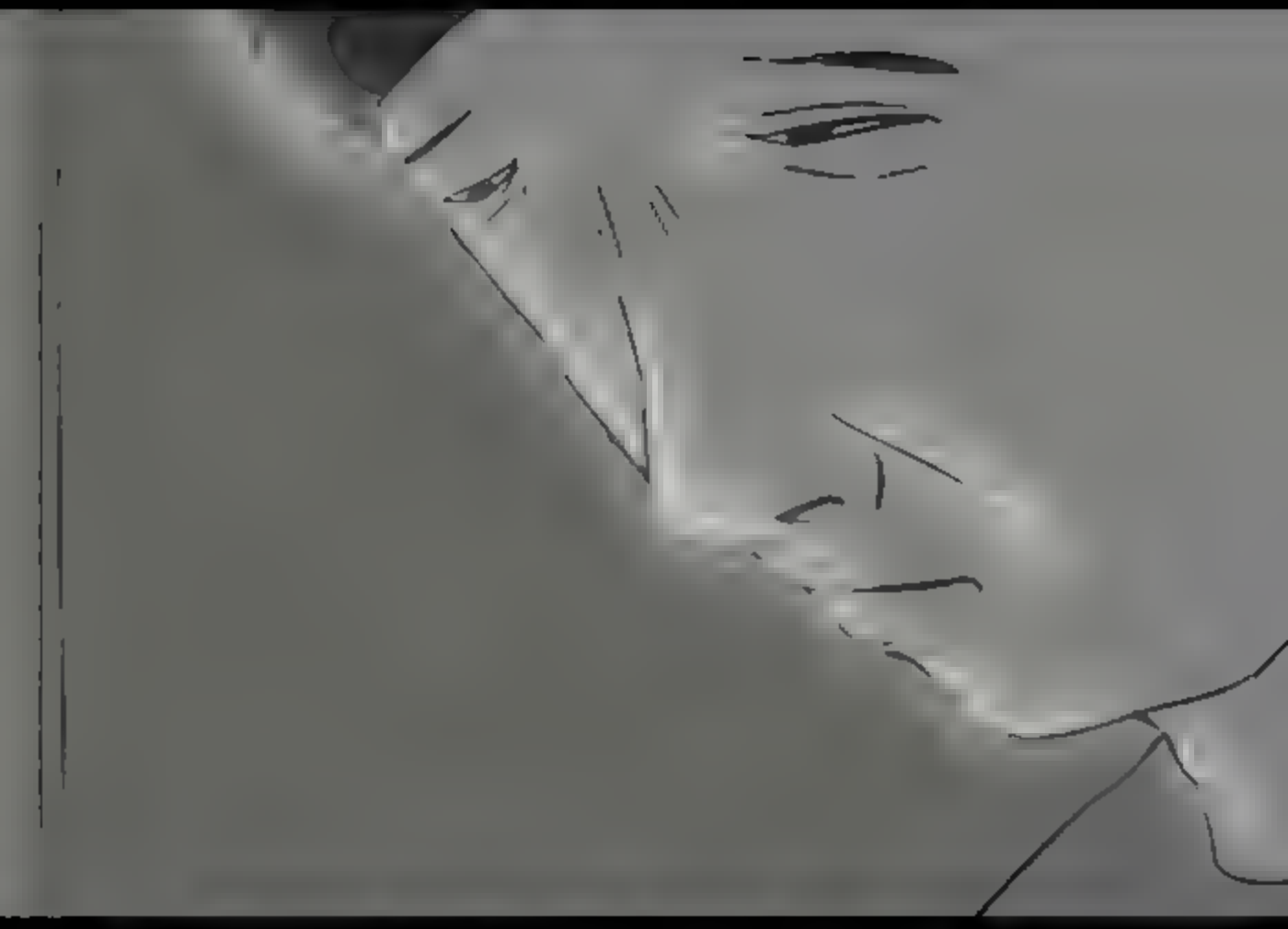
TV SERIES ARE JUST TV SERIES.

ANY COMPANY THAT GETS TO BE A

CERTAIN SIZE NEVER TELLS ITS EMPLOYEES TO

HAND IN A LETTER OF RESIGNATION.

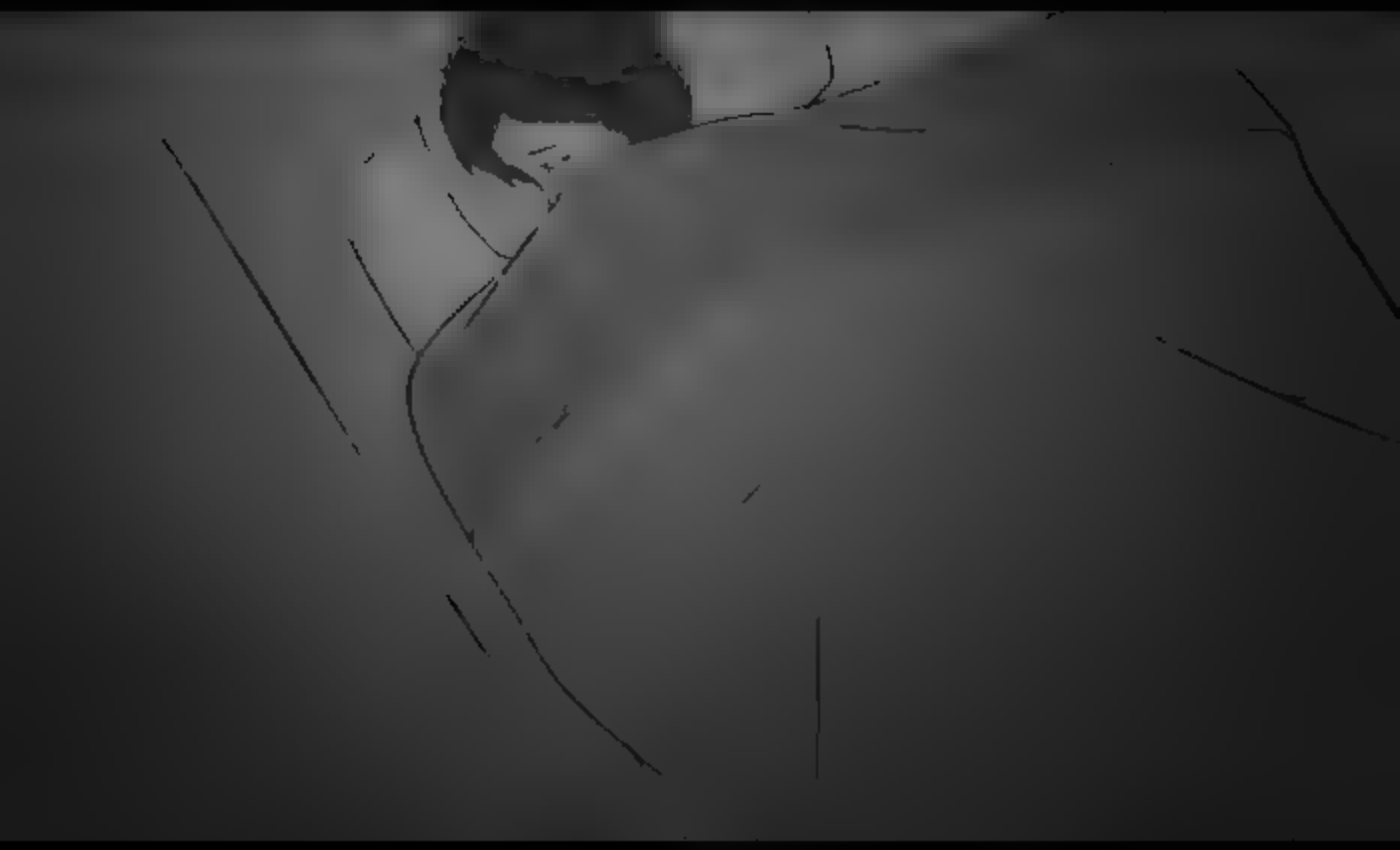
I DON'T NEED
THIS STUPID PLACE!!
I'M OUT OF HERE!!



PEOPLE START OUT WITH THE INTENTION
OF STICKING AROUND SINCE THEY DON'T KNOW
WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF THEY LEAVE,
BUT THEY NATURALLY MAKE THEM SO
SICK OF BEING THERE AND WORKING THERE
THAT THEY UNPLEASANTLY RESIGN
AND END UP ON THE STREET WITHOUT
ANY UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS.

PEOPLE MAY HAVE A CONSCIENCE

BUT CAPITAL CERTAINLY DOES NOT..



SO MY COMPANY WAS SCHOCKINGLY CRUEL.

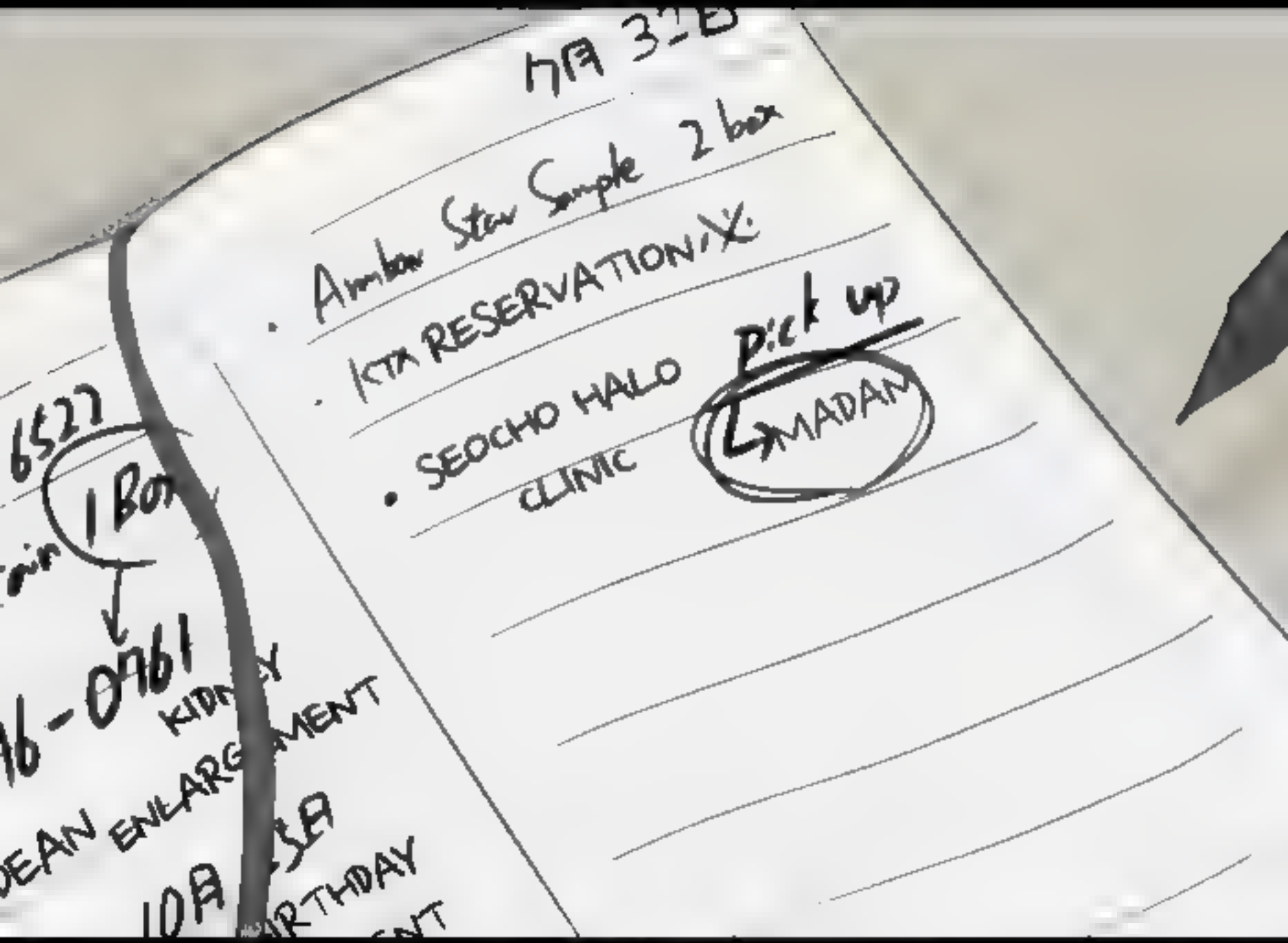
YES, SIR!
I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR
YOUR CALL.

YES!
IT'S ALL READY.
YES, YES.
DON'T WORRY.

I WON'T MAKE ANY MISTAKES THIS TIME. YES, THANK YOU FOR CALLING ME, SIR.

THIS ISN'T A MATTER OF LIVING—

IT'S A MATTER OF SURVIVAL.



I HAVE TO SURVIVE SOMEHOW.

I NEED TO MAKE ENOUGH MONEY TO SURVIVE.

NEXT IS...
"CITY UROLOGY"..

MR. JUNG.

YES, SIR?

THINGS MUST BE GETTING TOUGH FOR US.. I'VE WORKED HERE FOR WHOLE MY LIFE..BUT I'VE NEVER SEEN THIS UNSETTLED ATMOSPHERE BEFORE.

DO YOU STILL HAVE SOME SEVERANCE PAY LEFT? HAVE YOU DONE YOUR TAXES?

I'VE ALMOST USED IT ALL UP...

I SEE...
I'VE HEARD THE RUMORS THAT THINGS AREN'T GOING SO WELL FOR YOU NOWADAYS.

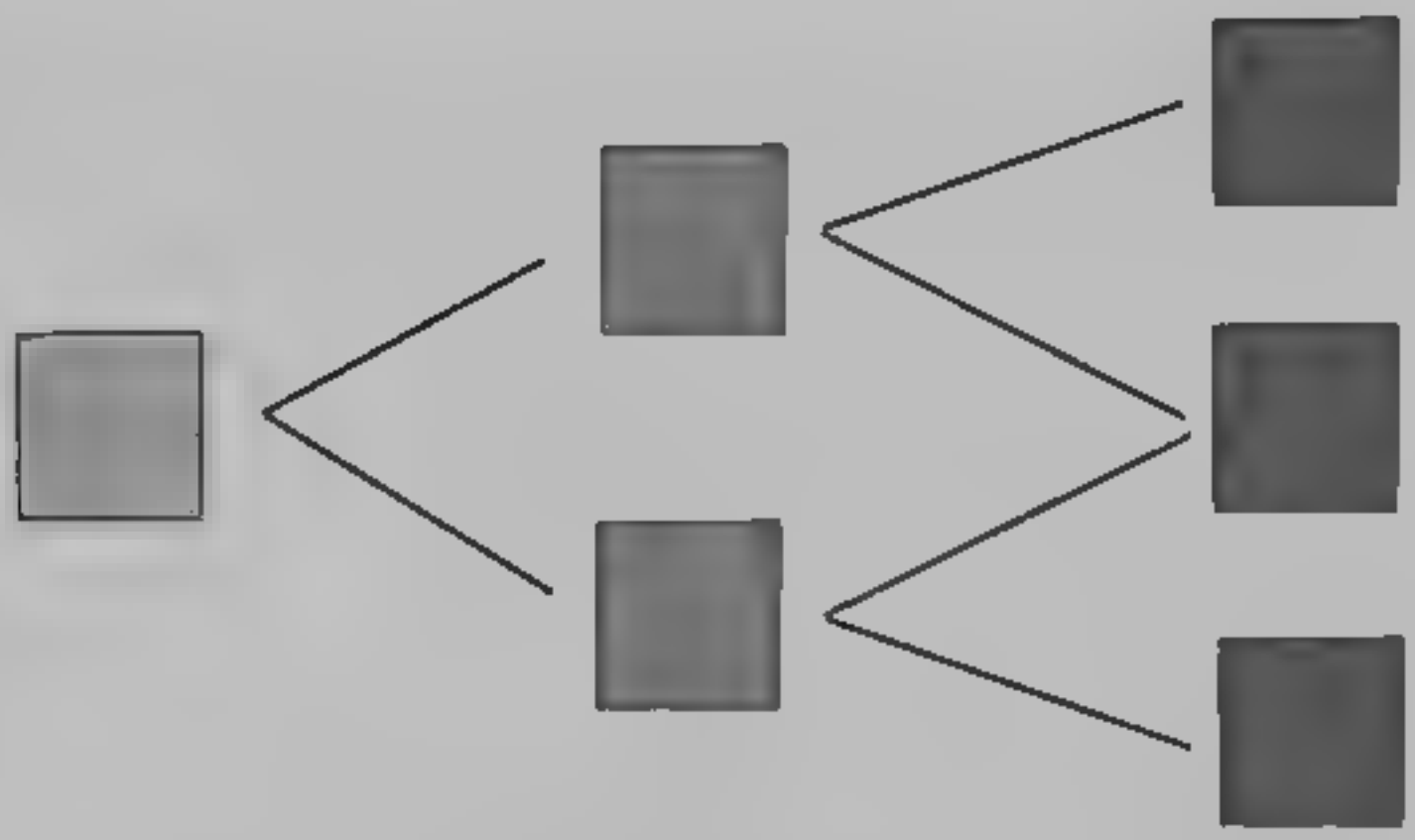
THE BRANCH MANAGER SUGGESTED ME

TO USE 'OSHIWURI'.

THE DRUGS WE SHIP OUT PASS

THROUGH WHOLESALE DEALERS

BEFORE FINALLY REACHING HOSPITALS

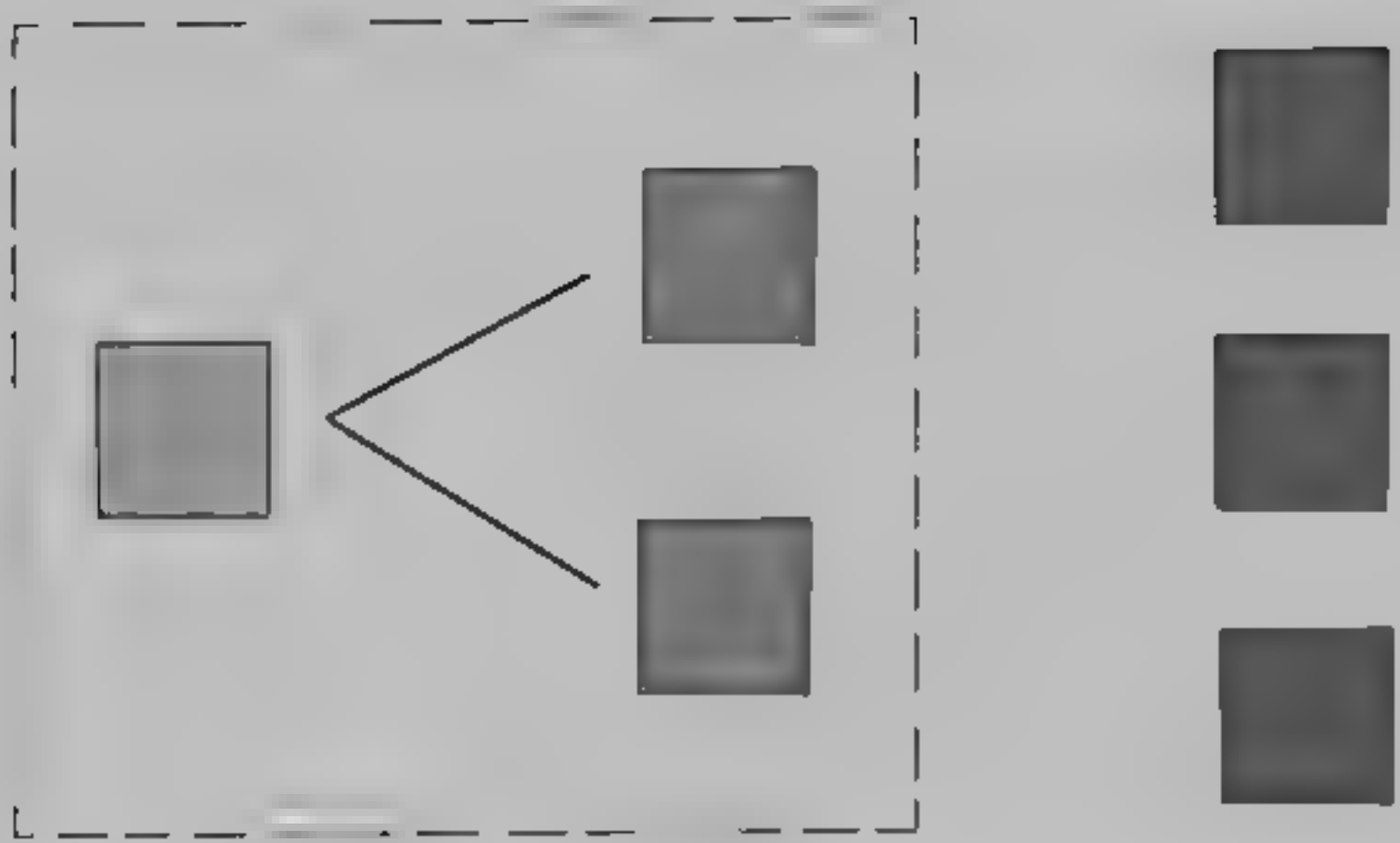


SO THE TOTAL SALES ARE USUALLY

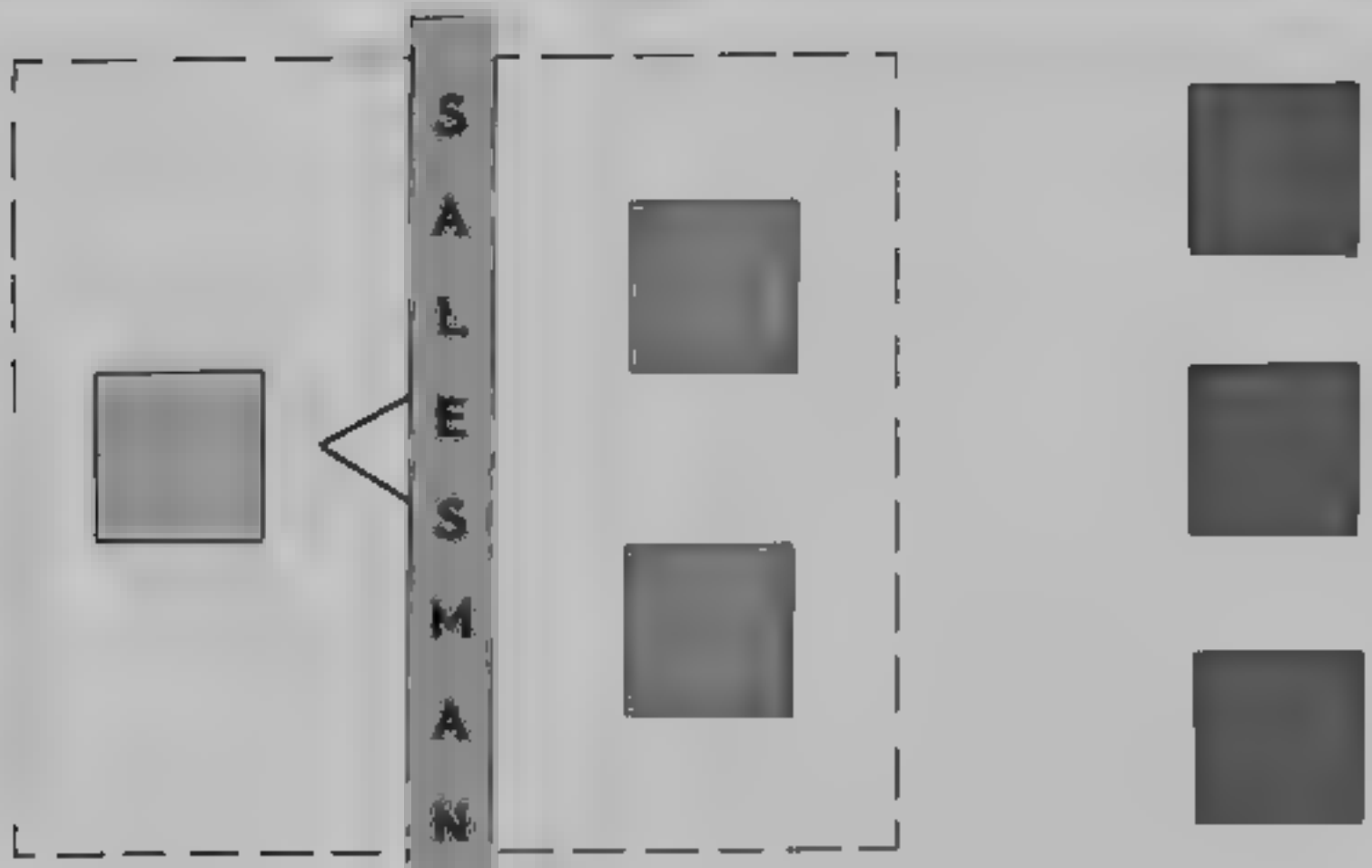
CALCULATED AS THE AMOUNT

THAT GOES FROM THE DRUG COMPANY

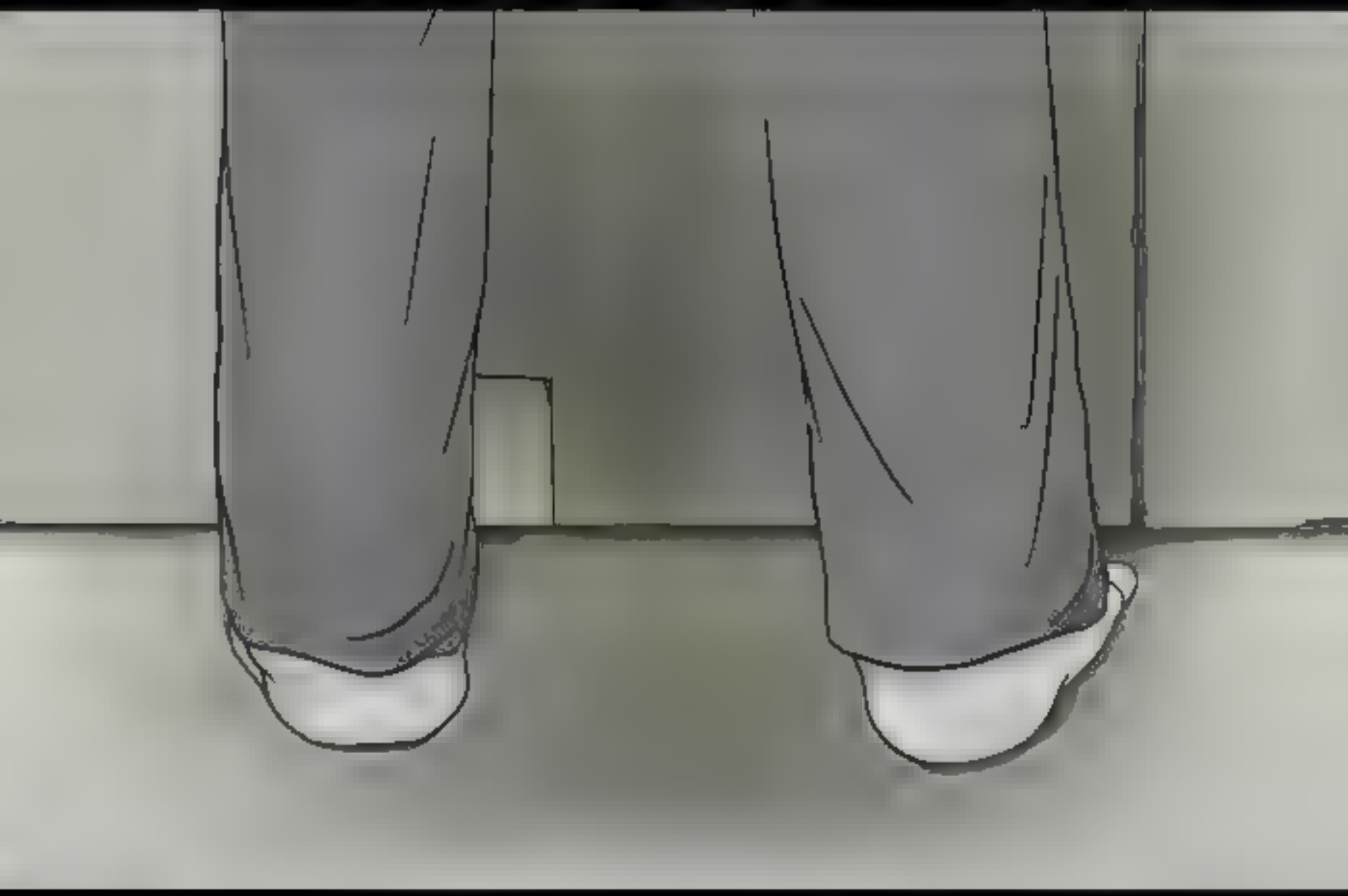
TO THE WHOLESALERS.



A SALESMAN COULD ABUSE THIS SYSTEM AND
PURCHASE DRUGS WITH HIS OWN MONEY
IN ORDER TO DRIVE HIS SALES UP AND
OBTAIN COMPANY INCENTIVES.



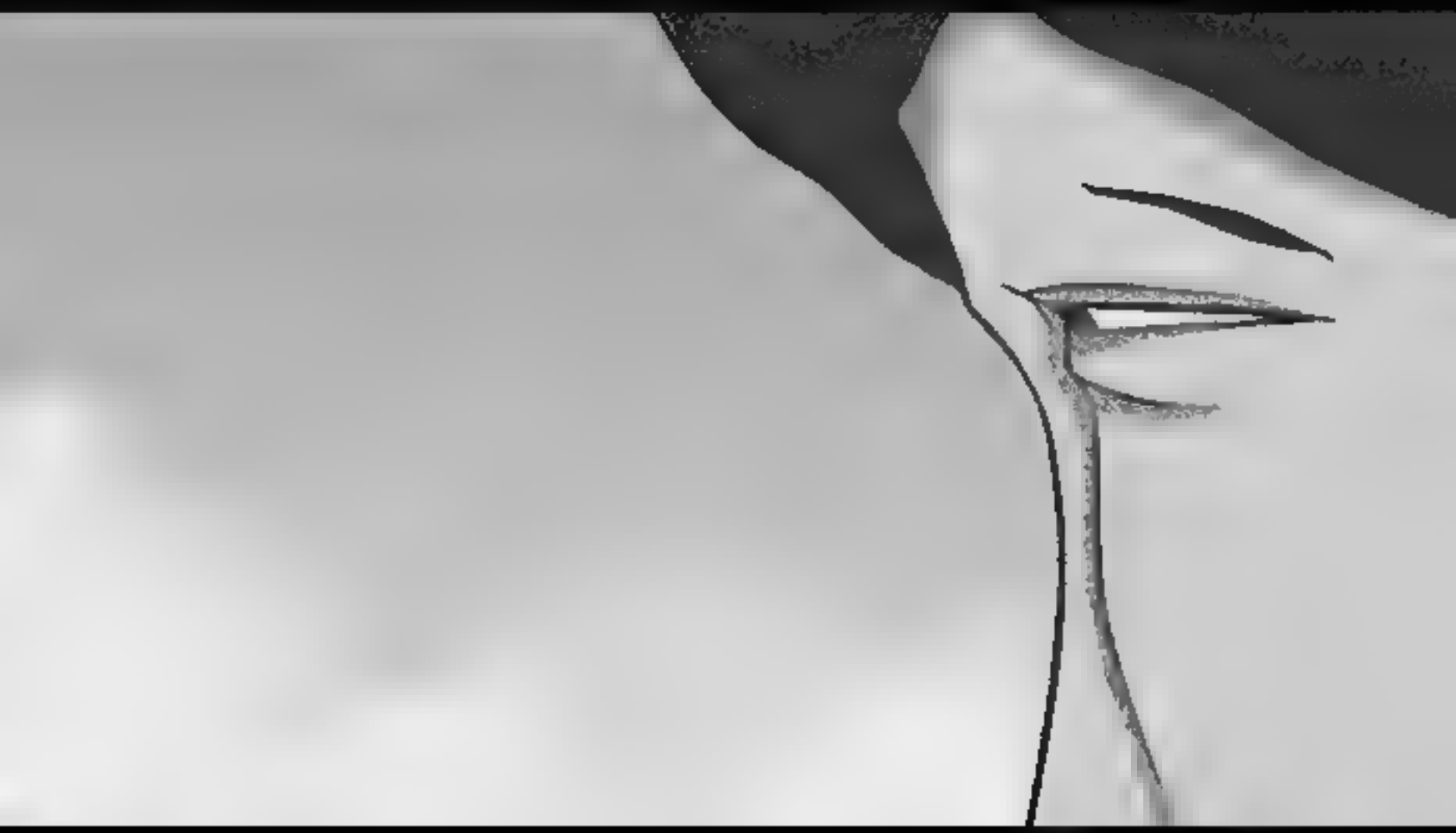
OF COURSE, THE WHOLESALERS
HAVE NO REASON TO TAKE ANY RISK LIKE THIS
SO THE SALESMAN USUALLY STORES
THE BOXES AT HIS OWN HOME.



WE REFER TO THIS AS

'OSHIWURI'.

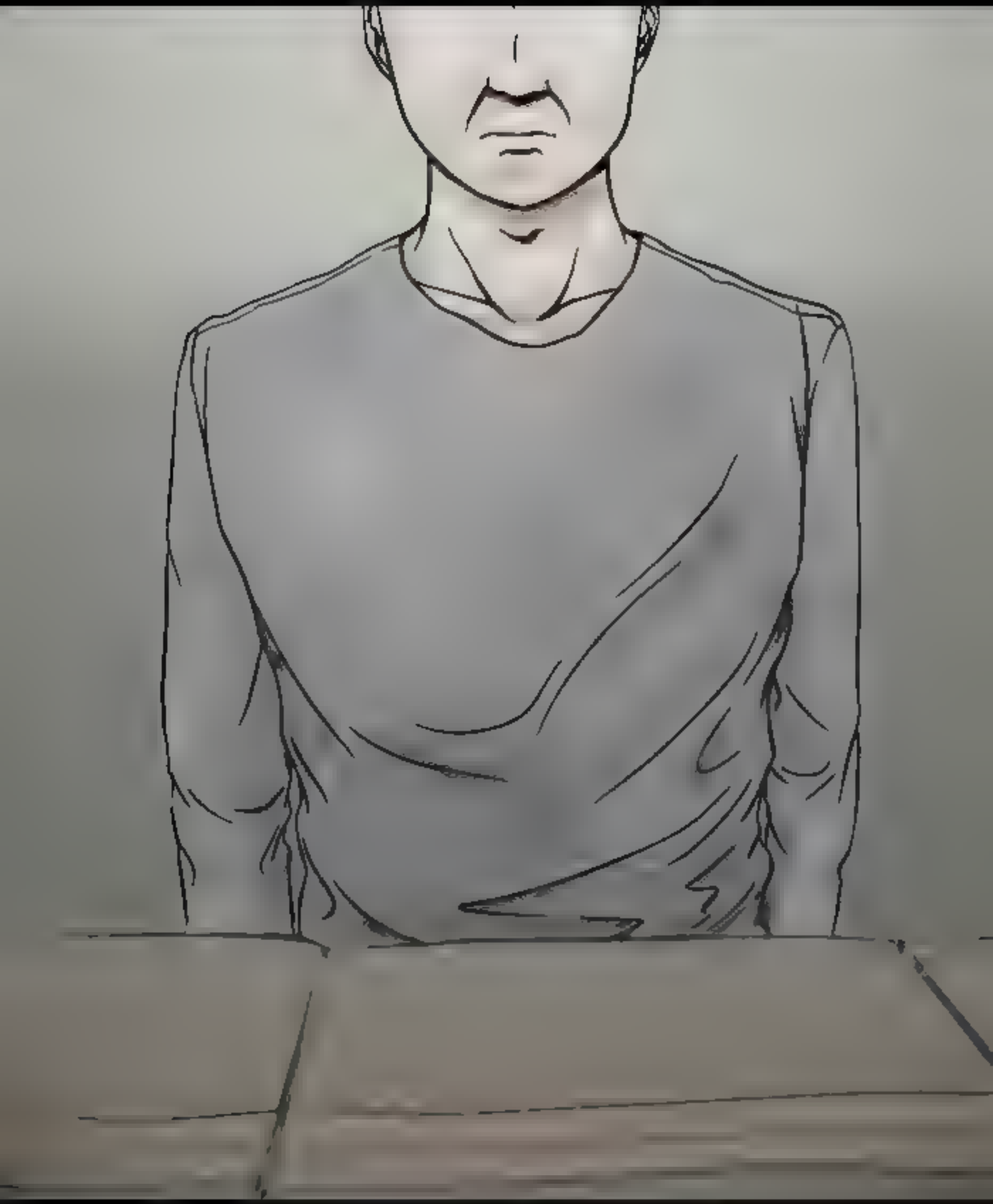
THERE'S A BIG INCENTIVE ON THAT DIABETES MEDICATION THAT JUST CAME OUT.
YOU COULD FINISH UP SOONER AND GET A NICE, FAT BONUS THROUGH THIS METHOD. DOESN'T THAT SOUND GOOD?



NO MATTER WHAT KIND OF SALES IT IS,

WHETHER CARS, INSURANCE OR DRUGS,

WHEN YOU GET TO THE POINT WHERE YOU
HAVE TO USE YOUR OWN MONEY TO DRIVE UP
YOUR SALES PERFORMANCE,
YOU KNOW THAT YOU'VE COME TO THE
END OF THE LINE AS A SALESMAN..



BUT BEING AT THE END OF THE LINE MEANS

YOU HAVE NOTHING TO LOSE..

AND HAVING NOTHING TO LOSE

IS THE SAME AS SAYING THAT

YOU HAVE NOTHING TO FEAR.

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